## Fourier transform of the hyperbolic secant

- 1. There are only simple poles along the imaginary axis  $z_n = (1/2 + n)i$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  since  $\cosh(it) = \cos(t)$ .
- 2. f(z) is holomorphic on and inside  $\Gamma$  that is simply connected so from Cauchy theorem  $I_{\Gamma} = 0$ .
- 3.  $\gamma_1: z = x, \quad x \in [0, R]$   $\gamma_2: z = R + it, \quad t \in [0, 1/2]$   $\gamma_3: z = x + i/2, \quad x \in [R, \varepsilon]$   $\gamma_4: z = i/2 + \varepsilon e^{i\theta}, \theta \in [0, -\pi/2]$  $\gamma_5: z = it, \quad t \in [1/2 - \varepsilon, 0]$
- 4. We have  $2|\cosh(\pi(R+it))| = |e^{\pi R + i\pi t} + e^{-\pi R i\pi t}| \ge ||e^{\pi R + i\pi t}| |e^{-\pi R i\pi t}|| = 2\sinh(\pi R)$  and  $|e^{i\omega(R+it)}| = e^{-\omega t}$  so  $|f(z)| \le e^{-\omega t}/(2\sinh(\pi R))$  which kills the integral on this finite domain. So  $I_2 \to 0$  when  $R \to \infty$ .
- 5. With  $\cosh(\pi(x+i/2)) = i\sinh(\pi x)$ , one obtains  $\operatorname{Re}(I_3) = -\frac{e^{-\omega/2}}{2} \int_{\varepsilon}^{R} \frac{\sin(\omega x)}{\sinh(\pi x)} dx \to -\frac{e^{-\omega/2}}{2} J(\omega)$ . Notice that the imaginary has a logarithmic divergence when  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .
- 6. Using the parametrization, we explicitly have when  $\varepsilon \to 0$

$$I_4 = \int_0^{-\pi/2} d\theta \, i\varepsilon e^{i\theta} \frac{e^{-\omega/2 + i\varepsilon e^{i\theta}}}{2\cosh(\pi i/2 + \pi\varepsilon e^{i\theta})} = e^{-\omega/2} \int_0^{-\pi/2} d\theta \frac{i\varepsilon e^{i\theta}}{2i\sinh(\pi\varepsilon e^{i\theta})} = -\frac{e^{-\omega/2}}{4} \tag{1}$$

By choosing a circle of radius  $\varepsilon$  with anti-trigonometric direction, the contour encircles the simple pole  $z_0 = i/2$  so by applying the residue theorem, one has

$$\oint_{\bigcirc} f(z)dz = -2i\pi \text{Res}(f, i/2) = -2i\pi \frac{e^{-\omega/2}}{2\pi \sinh(\pi i/2)} = -e^{-\omega/2}$$
(2)

and then, assuming that  $\varepsilon \to 0$  to make the integrand angle-independent, one has  $I_4 = 1/4 \oint_{\circ} f(z) dz$ 

7. One gets that 
$$I_5 = -i \int_0^{1/2-\varepsilon} \frac{e^{-\omega t}}{2\cosh(\pi t)} dt$$
 is a pure imaginary number.

- 8. From  $\operatorname{Re}(I_{\Gamma}) = 0$ , collecting the terms with  $\operatorname{Re}\{I_1\} = I(\omega)/2$  yields  $I(\omega) e^{-\omega/2}J(\omega) = \frac{e^{-\omega/2}}{2}$ .
- 9. Since  $I(-\omega) = I(\omega)$  and  $J(-\omega) = -J(\omega)$ , we have  $I(\omega) + e^{\omega/2}J(\omega) = \frac{e^{\omega/2}}{2}$ . Combining the two equations yields

$$I(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\cosh(\omega/2)} \quad \text{and} \quad J(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}\tanh(\omega/2) .$$
(3)

10. One gets, after seeing that  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(\omega x)}{\cosh(ax)} dx = 0$  and setting  $x' = (a/\pi)x$ 

$$F(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos(\omega x)}{\cosh(ax)} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\pi}{a} 2I\left(\frac{\pi}{a}\omega\right) = \frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{\pi}{2a}\omega\right) \tag{4}$$

11. As the gaussian (and several other functions), the hyperbolic secant is its own Fourier transform up to some rescaling factor.